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Subject: March 4 Board meeting: WCBBP Condition Assessment Cost Sharing Agreement

At the March 4, 2008 Board meeting, DPW will be requesting Board authorization for the Director of Public Works to enter into an agreement with the West Basin Municipal Water District and the Water Replenishment District of Southern California to share in the costs associated with performing a condition assessment of the West Coast Basin Barrier project (WCBBP). The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$160,000 and will be financed by the Flood Control District Budget in Fiscal Year 2007-08. Under this agreement, the West Basin Municipal Water District and the Water Replenishment District of Southern California will each reimburse Public Works for one-third of the cost to perform the study, up to \$54,000 each.

The WCBBP has been in operation since 1953. Recent system failures, which resulted in portions of the barrier being inoperable for periods of time, have clearly identified a need to assess the overall condition of the barrier. The condition assessment is statutorily exempt from CEQA as this assessment is not considered a project.

County Counsel has already reviewed the agreement and approved it as to form. In addition, representatives from the West Basin Municipal Water District and the Water Replenishment District of Southern California have already signed the cooperative agreement.

If any additional information is needed, please let me know.

Thank you,
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